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VIA FACSIMILE AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

Hon. Alvin K. Hellerstein **United States District Court** Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007

Re: Fracasso v. The City of New York, Index No. 07-cv-464

Dear Judge Hellerstein:

I represent the plaintiff Michele Fracasso in the above entitled action. Currently we are nearing the end of discovery, and have, within the last thirty six hours, been able to negotiate the possibility of a settlement with the City of New York. We write now to respectfully request we be assigned a magistrate judge to further pursue settlement and resolve this case.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

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Respectfully submitted, /MDZ

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